

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

November 25, 2002
Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
Renton City Hall

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

TONI NELSON, Council President; DAN CLAWSON; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER; TERRI BRIERE; KING PARKER; DON PERSSON; RANDY CORMAN.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

JESSE TANNER, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; LAWRENCE J. WARREN, City Attorney; BONNIE WALTON, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; ALEX PIETSCH, Economic Development Director; DEREK TODD, Assistant to the CAO; COMMANDER CURTIS SMALLING and COMMANDER KEVIN MILOSEVICH, Police Department.

PROCLAMATION
Free Enterprise Month –
December, 2002

A proclamation by Mayor Tanner was read declaring the month of December, 2002, to be "Free Enterprise Month" in the City of Renton, and encouraging all citizens to value the principles of free enterprise which offers the concepts of freedom of choice, open markets, profit motives, open competition, and private ownership. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY NELSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION AS READ. CARRIED.

Hazen High School students Mark Maison, Emilie Searles, and Christine Peck accepted the proclamation.

APPEAL
Planning & Development
Committee

Appeal: Hazen High School
Parking Lot Landscaping, John
Smith (ECF-01-077)

Planning and Development Committee Chair Keolker-Wheeler presented a report regarding the appeal of the Hazen High School parking lot landscaping (ECF-01-077). The Committee convened to consider the appeal of the decision of the Hearing Examiner dated September 24, 2002. The subject property is located at 1101 Hoquiam Ave. NE, Renton, 98059. The applicant sought and received approval of a parking lot expansion. The permit will allow the applicant to expand the existing parking lot to 450 stalls.

The appellant, John Smith, originally appealed approval of the project by City staff. The Hearing Examiner heard that appeal on September 20, 2001. Mr. Smith did not oppose the lot expansion, but rather the landscaping proposed for the purpose of screening light from the cars in the lot. His appeal was granted, and the City and applicant were ordered to consider other methods of screening. Staff approved the applicant's revised proposal for light screening landscaping. Mr. Smith appealed the revised proposal and staff approval. The Hearing Examiner modified his earlier decision, and instructed the applicant on the general types of trees and landscaping required, and the goals it was to achieve. This appeal followed.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1) Staff recommended approval of the original and revised landscaping plan.
- 2) The Hearing Examiner, after reviewing both plans, ordered that a vegetative screening be accomplished.

- 3) The Hearing Examiner did not find it necessary to order a berm, or order that other more stringent means of screening be built.
- 4) No law exists that would require the requested relief.
- 5) The damage claimed by the appellant is speculative, and no facts exist to support the claim.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The record supports the Hearing Examiner's conclusions and decision. The Committee found that the conclusions and decision contained no error of fact or law.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee recommended that the City Council uphold the Hearing Examiner's decision.

MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2002 and beyond. Items noted included:

- * All City of Renton parking violation fines will increase \$10, effective December 2, 2002. Late payment penalties will increase \$5, with the current \$10 penalty increasing to \$15.
- * The Renton Youth Symphony Orchestra's Winter Concert will be held at Carco Theatre on Sunday, December 15, at 7:00 p.m.
- * The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) awarded a \$95,000 Community Awareness and Education Initiative grant to the Washington City and County Pipeline Safety Consortium. This grant will be used to continue the evaluation of the integrity of the Olympic petroleum pipelines, to assess the use of the transverse flux internal pipeline test in lieu of hydrostatic pressure testing, to draft a model First Responders Plan, and to hire a part-time coordinator to improve the operation of the Consortium.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Council Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2002

Approval of Council meeting minutes of November 18, 2002. Council concur.
Councilwoman Keolker-Wheeler corrected the Council meeting minutes as indicated:

Page 434, sixth paragraph under Human Resources Labor Contracts (continued), Fire Captain Scott Engler should be Fire Captain **Stan** Engler.

Appointment: Civil Service Commission

Mayor Tanner appointed William Larson, 714 High Ave. S., Renton, 98055, and Randall Rockhill, 141 Capri Ave. N., Renton, 98056, each to the Civil Service Commission for a six-year term expiring on 12/31/2008. Council concur.

CAG: 02-177, Fire Station #12 Construction, Granquist Const

City Clerk reported bid opening on 11/19/2002 for CAG-02-177, Construction of Fire Station #12; nine bids; engineer's estimate \$3,348,256; and submitted staff recommendation to award the contract to the second low bidder, Granquist

	Construction Company, in the amount of \$3,112,154.54. Refer to <u>Finance Committee</u> for discussion regarding the irregularity with the low bid.
Legislature: 2003 Council Legislative Priorities	Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department recommended approval of the following Legislative priorities for the 2003 Legislative Session: Transportation Funding, Economic Development Tools, Annexation Reform, Municipal Finance, Protection of Water Rights, Endangered Species Act, Utility Tax Revenues, Building Codes, Liability Reform, Gambling Activities, Affordable Housing, and Social and Human Services. Refer to <u>Committee of the Whole</u> .
Planning: Development Regulations (Title IV), Non- Substantive Amendments	Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department submitted proposed non-substantive amendments to Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code to correct existing inconsistencies and erroneous Code citations. Refer to <u>Planning & Development Committee</u> .
CAG: 02-133, Monster Rd SW/68th Ave S Guardrail Installation, Peterson Brothers	Transportation Systems Division submitted CAG-02-133, Monster Rd. SW and 68th Ave. S. Guardrail Installation; and requested approval of the project, authorization for final pay estimate in the amount of \$40,759.38, commencement of 60-day lien period, and release of retained amount of \$2,037.97 to Peterson Brothers, Inc., contractor, if all required releases are obtained. Council concur.
SCATBd: Agreement	Transportation Systems Division recommended approval of an agreement with the South County Area Transportation Board (SCATBd) which re-establishes the SCATBd as the recognized South King County forum for information sharing, coordination, and consensus building on transportation issues. Annual dues are estimated at \$250. Council concur. (See page 451 for resolution.)
Solid Waste: 2002 Local Hazardous Waste Management Program, Dept of Public Health	Solid Waste Utility Division recommended approval of an agreement accepting \$19,773.55 from the Seattle-King County Department of Public Health for Renton's 2002 Local Hazardous Waste Management Program. Council concur. (See page 451 for resolution.)
CAG: 02-096, Sunnydale Downstream Storm System Replacement, Harborside Inc	Surface Water Utility Division submitted CAG-02-096, Sunnydale Downstream Storm System Replacement; and requested approval of the project, authorization for final pay estimate in the amount of \$2,283.60, commencement of 60-day lien period, and release of retained amount of \$6,887.78 to Harborside, Inc., contractor, if all required releases are obtained. Council concur.
CAG: 01-157, NE 7th St/Monroe Ave NE Storm System Drainage, Ceccanti	Surface Water Utility Division submitted CAG-01-157, NE 7th St. and Monroe Ave. NE Storm System Drainage; and requested approval of the project, authorization for final pay estimate in the amount of \$2,957.47, commencement of 60-day lien period, and release of retained amount of \$62,506.31 to Ceccanti, Inc., contractor, if all required releases are obtained. Council concur.
	MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED, INCLUDING THE CORRECTION TO THE NOVEMBER 18, 2002, COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES. CARRIED.
OLD BUSINESS <u>Finance Committee</u> Finance: Signatures for Banking Transactions	Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report regarding the resolution updating the authorized signature authority for depositories and electronic fund transfers on behalf of and in the name of the City of Renton. The Committee recommended that the resolution updating Section IV of Resolution #3467 be presented for adoption. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY PERSSON,

COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 451 for resolution.)

Finance: 2002 Year-End
Budget Adjustments

Finance Committee Chair Parker presented a report recommending adoption of the 2002 Year-End Budget Adjustments ordinance, which appropriates funds from fund balance and new revenue increasing 2002 expenditures in various funds and departments. This ordinance will increase the 2002 Budget by \$8,263,407. The Committee further recommended that the ordinance regarding this matter be presented for first reading. MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See later this page for ordinance.)

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #3601
SCATBd: Agreement

The following resolutions were presented for reading and adoption:

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an agreement with the South County Area Transportation Board (SCATBd). MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3602
Solid Waste: 2002 Local
Hazardous Waste
Management Program, Dept of
Public Health

A resolution was read authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an interlocal cooperative agreement entitled "Memorandum of Understanding on the Local Hazardous Waste Management Program for 2002 Activities." MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

Resolution #3603
Finance: Signatures for
Banking Transactions

A resolution was read authorizing signature for depositories and electronic fund transfers on behalf of and in the name of the City of Renton. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for first reading and referred to the Council meeting of 12/02/2002 for second and final reading:

Finance: 2002 Year-End
Budget Adjustments

An ordinance was read providing for the 2002 year-end Budget adjustments in the amount of \$8,263,407. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 12/02/2002. CARRIED.

AUDIENCE COMMENT
Citizen Comment: Smith – Flag
Football Tournament Schedule

Yekklo Smith, 1607 Harrington Ave. SE, Renton, 98058, inquired as to when the 8th Annual Flag Football Tournament was to be held.

Chief Administrative Officer Jay Covington stated that the tournament had already occurred, and he advised Mr. Smith to contact the Renton Community Center for information about upcoming flag football tournaments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR 51 MINUTES TO DISCUSS LITIGATION AND LABOR NEGOTIATIONS. CARRIED. Time: 7:56 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:47 p.m.; roll was called; all Councilmembers present.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:48 p.m.



BONNIE I. WALTON, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
November 25, 2002